

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

England & Wales · Charity number 1067584

Details

Other names	THE COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER BUREAUX STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	03482562
Registered	1998-01-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	3 Arden Court Arden Street Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 6NT
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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY WITHIN THE AREA OF BENEFIT AND IN PARTICULAR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, THE PROTECTION OF HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY , DISTRESS AND SICKNESS, AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THE SAID PURPOSES, BUT NOT FURTHER OR OTHERWISE, TO PROMOTE AND ORGANISE CO-OPERATION IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE SAME AND TO THAT END TO BRING TOGETHER THE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE AREA OF BENEFIT

Activities: The charity's object and principle activity is to promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community in the Stratford-on-Avon District; in particular, the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** STRATFORD ON AVON
- Solihull
- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£314,266	£343,645	-	-
2024-03-31	£327,117	£337,285	-	-
2023-03-31	£304,020	£304,299	-	-
2022-03-31	£229,711	£244,641	-	-
2021-03-31	£279,646	£248,750	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Wells	Chair	2019-12-11
David Roache		2019-12-11
Ian Prosser		2019-12-11
Jeffrey Ewart Rymer		2026-02-18
Kazimierz Aukstolis		2019-12-11
Philip Kettle		2026-02-18
Rebecca Louise Hume		2026-02-18

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Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1067584

Company Registration No. 03482562 (England and Wales)

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	D Roache (Treasurer) I Prosser (Company Secretary) K Aukstolis C W Goody M Wells (Chairman)
Secretary	I Prosser (Company Secretary)
Charity number	1067584
Company number	03482562
Principal address	3 Arden Court Arden Street Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 6NT
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Independent examiner	Grineaux Accountants Limited 20 Market Hill Southam Warwickshire CV47 0HF

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Charity has continued to deliver vital services across South Warwickshire, Rugby, and Solihull, thanks to the unwavering commitment of our volunteers and staff, supported by our partners and funders.

Our volunteers remain at the heart of everything we do. In 2024/25, they collectively donated an incredible over 36,000 hours of their time across our services — from driving patients to hospital appointments, to supporting dementia day clubs, to making wellbeing calls. If this contribution were costed at the Real Living Wage, it would be worth around £430,000, with a wider social value exceeding £900,000.

Community Transport

Our Community Transport Service continues to be one of the largest in Warwickshire, supporting in excess of 5,000 passengers across South Warwickshire, Rugby, and Solihull. With more than 150 volunteer drivers, we completed approximately 14,800 journeys during the year, covering an extraordinary 344,000 miles.

Collectively, our drivers donated 32,770 hours of their time, the equivalent of £393,000 at the Real Living Wage, or £472,000 allowing for on-costs such as training and coordination. When the wider social impact is considered, reduced missed hospital appointments, carer relief, increased independence, and improved wellbeing, this equates to an estimated social value of £590,000 to £1.18 million (midpoint ~£786,000).

These volunteers are often the unseen lifeline for residents who would otherwise struggle to reach essential medical, social, and wellbeing appointments. Their compassion and flexibility were especially evident this year, with several long-distance journeys undertaken to specialist hospitals in London and Manchester.

Community Services

Our community-based services continued to offer vital social connection, respite, and wellbeing support across South Warwickshire. Although attendance levels have fluctuated post-pandemic, the dedication of our volunteers has never wavered.

Our Dementia Day Services operate four days a week, we have 2 members of staff per session, but they are supported by a committed team of volunteers who collectively contribute around 3,600 hours each year across our venues, equivalent to £43,000 at the Real Living Wage, or a social value of over £110,000. These volunteers make a profound difference, supporting 8–12 people living with dementia at each session while giving carers a welcome five-hour break.

During the year, we delivered 200 sessions, providing around 300 hours of respite for each carer whose loved one attended our Day Services, giving them valuable time to rest, recharge, and manage their own wellbeing while knowing their loved one was safe and supported.

Alongside this, our Carers Clubs continue to run three times a month, supported by volunteers who contribute a further 144 hours annually. These clubs provide a safe and friendly space where carers can share experiences, advice, and laughter with others who truly understand their journey.

We have also continued Coffee & Connect (49 sessions), delivering a combined 85 community sessions throughout the year, helping local residents find friendship, confidence, and connection in a welcoming space.

Community Engagement and Volunteering

The Community Connector and Volunteer Coordinator roles, funded by the Community Lottery grant secured in the previous year, have flourished.

Our Community Connector for Stratford District, has been tireless in representing VASA across community events and fairs, sharing key information, helping residents access digital services, and connecting people to local support networks.

Our Volunteer Coordinator, has focused on strengthening volunteer engagement and development. Together, these roles are central to VASA's goal of becoming a truly volunteer-led organisation.

Our return to Arden Court in the previous year has continued to pay dividends, with improved accessibility for volunteers and visitors alike. The single-floor layout now enables us to welcome those with mobility challenges, including wheelchair users, ensuring inclusion across all aspects of our work.

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Funding and Finance

Funding patterns continue to evolve, there was a slight increase in income generated by journey admin fees, wheelchair donations and room rental.

Despite this, we entered the year facing a significant budgetary shortfall which, while partly mitigated, has impacted our financial position. As we set the future budgets, these pressures have only intensified.

In response, we hosted a Funder Lunch at the Crowne Plaza, generously supported by the hotel, bringing together key representatives from Warwickshire County Council, Stratford and Warwick District Councils, and Rugby Borough Council. This event allowed us to share the real-world impact of VASA's work and the financial challenges we face in maintaining it. We were joined by Manuella Perteghella, MP for Stratford-on-Avon, whose support and advocacy helped amplify our message.

Partnerships and Recognition

VASA continues to thrive through strong partnership working. We remain active members of the Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership, Warwickshire Community Transport Forum, and Stratford Social Inclusion Partnership, alongside our long-standing collaboration with WRCC.

We are deeply grateful to our partners and funders, including Stratford Town Trust, Stratford District Council, and the NHS Integrated Care Board, for their continued confidence in and commitment to our work. Special thanks also go to Orbit Housing and Stratford Town Football Club for hosting many of our community sessions.

In October 2024, our collective efforts were recognised when VASA was named "Charity of the Year" at the Stratford Herald Business and Tourism Awards. This accolade was a proud moment for everyone involved and a real boost for the morale of our volunteers and staff alike.

Looking Ahead

The year ahead will undoubtedly bring further financial and operational challenges, but the Trustees remain confident that, with the continued dedication of our volunteers, staff, and supporters, VASA will continue to change lives by connecting people, strengthening communities and reducing isolation across South Warwickshire and beyond.



M Wells
Chairman

20 November 2025

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The Charity's objectives are:

- The provision, sponsorship and assistance of activities of a public social care and support nature either directly or in partnership based from, but not restricted to, the geographical area of Stratford on Avon District and its environs.
- To promote, organise and facilitate co-operation and partnership working between third sector, statutory and other relevant bodies in the achievement of the above purposes within the area of benefit.

Strategic report

Treasurer's Report

In the year to 31st March 2025 income from our charitable activities saw a slight dip to £137,707 (£141,578) while income from Councillors' grants and other donations fell by 23% to £44,852 (£58,244). Partially offsetting this was an increase in grant income from local authorities and other institutions of 3.8% to £130,171 (£125,405). This resulted in a reduction in total income of 4% to £314,266 (£327,117).

Our total costs increased by 1.9% to £343,645 (£337,285). However, prior year costs included one-off office move costs of some £8,000. Therefore, the underlying increase in total costs was 4.3%. Most of our costs are exposed to inflationary pressures and, although we take avoiding measures, increases are inevitable. Specific savings actions have been taken in the areas of IT, phones and other office administration costs to offset the increases in head-count costs, some of which are grant funded.

Our overall deficit for the year was £29,379 (£10,168).

The deficit in the year reduced total available funds to £81,053 (£110,432) which, although disappointing, left the charity adequately funded as at 31st March 2025.

We continue to enjoy the support of our institutional funders, without whom we would be unable to carry out our charitable activities. However, the combined income from our charitable activities and grant income is still inadequate to cover the costs of running the charity, despite the cost saving actions we have taken. We continue to examine ways of bringing the charity back to a break-even position on a sustainable basis whilst still providing the services that our clients need.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

The results for the year and the financial position of the company are shown in the annexed financial statements.

The Charity's activities have been partially financed by grants and donations while the retained reserves have been depleted by the deficit of £29,379 (previous year £10,168).

The income for the year was £314,266 (£327,117) and total expenditure was £343,645 (£337,285).

While the past year has presented financial challenges, there are encouraging signs of improvement. Thanks to the continued generosity of our funders, the dedication of our volunteers, and the hard work of our staff, we are beginning to see positive progress toward stabilising and strengthening our financial position. With new funding opportunities emerging and growing community support, the future is looking brighter for VASA, and we are hopeful that we can build a sustainable and resilient charity that continues to make a real difference in people's lives.

Structure, governance and management

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In accordance with Section 60(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2016, the company is exempt from the requirements of that Act to include 'limited' as part of its name. As the company is limited by guarantee, no trustee has any interest in the share capital of the company.

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission. The charity registration number is 1067584.

Trustees

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting to ensure that the Board represents a cross section of the community and individuals with relevant professional backgrounds.

Trustees are recruited as individual members. An assessment of individual member skills is undertaken annually to determine any gaps in skills which would assist the Board to function more effectively.

New Board members are provided with a Trustee Induction pack which includes the role description, responsibilities of a trustee, a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and copies of the most recent annual report and accounts.

New Trustees have an induction session with the Chairman and the charity manager.

Trustees are asked to consider any potential conflict of interest and these are recorded.

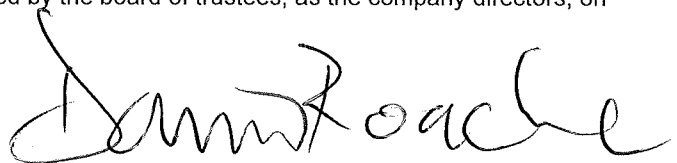
The trustees are responsible for financial controls and accounts; for overseeing the reserves policy; for ensuring that all procedures and policies adhere to their legal requirements as employers; for reviewing risk management of the organisation; to ensure all aspects of charity and company law are fully and properly adhered to and to protect the charity's property. The trustees have complied with their duty in Section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The trustees are responsible for agreeing the annual report and accounts as well as reviewing the activity during the year. The Charity Manager and the Finance Manager have delegated authority, under terms approved by the Board, for all day to day activity including financial, employment and staff supervision. The charity manager has to present a report at each meeting of the Board.

The Trustees , including the strategic report, was approved by the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 20 November 2025 and signed on the board's behalf by:



M Wells
Chairman



D Roache
Treasurer

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

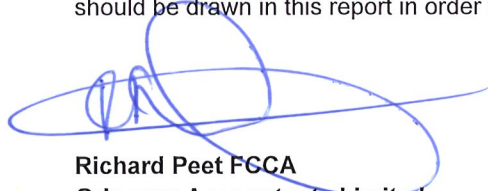
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Richard Peet FCCA
Grineaux Accountants Limited
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20 November 2025

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies		36,257	-	36,257	58,244	38,708	96,952
Charitable activities		87,123	51,643	138,766	81,697	5,000	86,697
Other trading activities	2	137,707	-	137,707	141,578	-	141,578
Investments	3	1,536	-	1,536	1,890	-	1,890
Total income		<u>262,623</u>	<u>51,643</u>	<u>314,266</u>	<u>283,409</u>	<u>43,708</u>	<u>327,117</u>
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities		292,550	51,095	343,645	278,810	58,475	337,285
Net movement in funds		(29,927)	548	(29,379)	4,599	(14,767)	(10,168)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		<u>99,158</u>	<u>11,274</u>	<u>110,432</u>	<u>94,559</u>	<u>26,041</u>	<u>120,600</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		<u><u>69,231</u></u>	<u><u>11,822</u></u>	<u><u>81,053</u></u>	<u><u>99,158</u></u>	<u><u>11,274</u></u>	<u><u>110,432</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		4,587		4,948
Current assets					
Debtors	9	46,940		34,760	
Cash at bank and in hand		51,759		105,057	
		<u>98,699</u>		<u>139,817</u>	
Current liabilities					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	22,233		34,333	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
Net current assets			76,466		105,484
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>81,053</u>		<u>110,432</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds	12		11,822		11,274
Unrestricted funds			69,231		99,158
			<u>81,053</u>		<u>110,432</u>

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 20 November 2025



M Wells
Chairman

Company Registration No. 03482562

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Arden Court, Arden Street, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 6NT.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'. The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Office Equipment	33% on cost
Wheelchairs	33% on cost

1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2 Other trading activities	2025	2024
	£	£
Fundraising events	111	-
Meeting room hire	1,085	60
Transport fees	69,926	64,296
Group income	66,585	77,222
	<u>137,707</u>	<u>141,578</u>
Other trading activities	<u>137,707</u>	<u>141,578</u>
3 Investments	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	1,536	1,890
	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,890</u>
4 Net movement in funds	2025	2024
	£	£
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Independent examiner's fee	2,460	2,400
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	3,790	2,902
	<u>2,460</u>	<u>2,902</u>

5 Trustee's remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2025 nor for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2025 nor for the year ended 31st March 2024.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6 Employees

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Direct charitable work	5	5
Administration	4	4
Session staff	6	6
Total	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>
Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	209,777	197,913
Social security costs	8,898	7,432
Other pension costs	10,087	8,447
	<u>228,762</u>	<u>213,792</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Office Equipment £	Wheelchairs £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	12,279	1,500	13,779
Additions	3,427	-	3,427
At 31 March 2025	<u>15,706</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>17,206</u>
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2024	8,829	-	8,829
Depreciation charged in the year	3,295	495	3,790
At 31 March 2025	<u>12,124</u>	<u>495</u>	<u>12,619</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	<u>3,582</u>	<u>1,005</u>	<u>4,587</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>3,448</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>4,948</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

9	Trade and other receivables	2025	2024
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
	Trade receivables	25,460	17,158
	Prepayments and accrued income	21,480	17,602
		<u>46,940</u>	<u>34,760</u>
10	Other creditors falling due within one year	2025	2024
		£	£
	Trade payables	5,583	7,559
	Social security and other taxes	3,005	2,941
	Other payables	3,261	13,006
	Accruals and deferred income	10,384	10,827
		<u>22,233</u>	<u>34,333</u>
11	Retirement benefit schemes	2025	2024
	Defined contribution schemes	£	£
	Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	10,087	8,447
		<u>10,087</u>	<u>8,447</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

12 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Volunteer services	26,041	43,708	(58,475)	11,274	51,643	(51,095)	11,822
	<u>26,041</u>	<u>43,708</u>	<u>(58,475)</u>	<u>11,274</u>	<u>51,643</u>	<u>(51,095)</u>	<u>11,822</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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13 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	99,158	262,623	(292,550)	69,231
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	94,559	283,409	(278,810)	99,158
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

14 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

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England & Wales - Charity number 1067584

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1067584

Company Registration No. 03482562 (England and Wales)

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Charity number	1067584
Company number	03482562
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Independent examiner	Grineaux Accountants Limited 20 Market Hill Southam Warwickshire CV47 0HF

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The slow but steady recovery from the impacts of the pandemic have continued thanks to the continued commitment of all our volunteers and staff, supported by our partners and funders.

Our volunteers are at the core of everything we do, with the majority of VASA's effort being volunteer led. In the year they have donated over 40,000 hours of their time to the full range of our activities. If those hours were paid at the Living Wage rate, that would be £416,800.

Community transport has in excess of 3,500 passengers across south Warwickshire and Rugby with volunteer drivers completing 21,422 journeys, including 1,465 dialysis journeys, 618 vaccination journeys and several special journeys such as taking some residents of a care home to their friend's funeral, a number of refugees to their ESOL classes, a child with additional needs to a social support group, and two GCSE students to their examinations as their bus would not get them there on time.

Community services continued to recover. Dementia Day Services offered 1,959 days of respite delivered in 262 sessions. Each of the groups take 8 – 12 people living with dementia, allowing them to participate while their carers are able to take a welcome five-hour break. We also offer Carer's Cafés where experiences and challenges can be shared in a supportive peer to peer environment. We also continued with our Baby Brunch sessions and community coffee mornings. Across these three groups 211 sessions were delivered.

Funding continues to shift with services' generated income increasing by more than 35%. Fortunately, our funding and development manager has continued to work wonders and our grants income and donations reached an amazing £185,000.

A major development during the year was the awarding of a Community Lottery grant of £230,644. That funded a Volunteer Co-Ordinator and a Community Connector, with Gill joining us in November in the former role and Linda from January. Both are incredibly important roles as we look to extend awareness of services on offer and move to being a truly volunteer led organisation. To assist with that move we have launched a Volunteer Advisory Panel to provide a forum and process for our volunteers to help us shape the volunteering role, training and procedures as well as being involved in helping us shape our future.

During the year we made the move back to Arden Court, a change that has improved our offering to our staff and volunteers and has provided us with our own space in which to hold events. We are hugely indebted to the NFU for the donation of all the office furniture which, even at second hand values, was worth over £8000.

Traditionally VASA achieves a lot through partnership working and this has continued through active and important roles with Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership, Warwickshire Community Transport and Stratford Social Inclusion Partnership as well as our long-standing partnership with WRCC.

Our partners and funders have continued to support our important work: Stratford Town Trust, Stratford District Council, and the NHS Integrated Care Board. Thanks also go to Orbit and Stratford Town Football Club who continue to host many of our community activities.

The coming year will no doubt continue to challenge us, especially financially, but the Trustees are confident that, with the continued support of the volunteers and staff, we will continue to develop and deliver our mission to change lives by connecting people.



M Wells
Chairman

14 November 2024

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Strategic report

Treasurer's Report

The year to 31st March 2024 continued the trend towards full recovery from the difficulties of Covid lock-down although the costs associated with the move to more suitable premises suppressed the overall results.

Income from our charitable activities saw a 36% increase to £141,578 (£104,364). Total income increased by 7.5% to £327,117 (£304,020). Because of the timing of certain receipts, grant income reduced by 12% to £125,405 (£142,396). However, we received the first tranche of a 5 year National Lottery grant during the year. This has been awarded in order to fund volunteer activities and support costs.

Our total costs increased by 10.8% to £337,284 (£304,299). These costs included over £8,000 of costs associated either directly (£4,197) or indirectly with the move to new premises. Our staff, utility and insurance costs are all exposed to the impact of inflation and, whilst we endeavour to keep a tight control on them the increases suffered in the year were inevitable.

Our overall deficit for the year was £10,168 (£279), including the one-off costs of relocation.

The charity continues to be soundly financed with total funds of £110,432 at 31st March 2024 (£120,600).

We continue to enjoy the support of our funders, without whom we would be unable to carry out our charitable activities.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

The results for the year and the financial position of the company are shown in the annexed financial statements.

The Charity's activities have been partially financed by grants and donations while the retained reserves have been depleted by the deficit of £10,168 (previous year £279).

The income for the year was £327,116 (£304,020) and total expenditure was £337,284 (£304,299).

Structure, governance and management

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The trustees are responsible for financial controls and accounts; for overseeing the reserves policy; for ensuring that all procedures and policies adhere to their legal requirements as employers; for reviewing risk management of the organisation; to ensure all aspects of charity and company law are fully and properly adhered to and to protect the charity's property. The trustees have complied with their duty in Section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The trustees are responsible for agreeing the annual report and accounts as well as reviewing the activity during the year. The Charity Manager and the Finance Manager have delegated authority, under terms approved by the Board, for all day to day activity including financial, employment and staff supervision. The charity manager has to present a report at each meeting of the Board.

The Trustees , including the strategic report, was approved by the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 14 November 2024 and signed on the board's behalf by:



M Wells
Chairman



D Roache
Treasurer

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Richard Peet FCCA
Grineaux Accountants Limited
20 Market Hill
Southam
Warwickshire
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14 November 2024

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies		58,244	38,708	96,952	8,050	48,696	56,746
Charitable activities		81,697	5,000	86,697	122,058	20,338	142,396
Other trading activities	2	141,578	-	141,578	104,364	-	104,364
Investments	3	1,890	-	1,890	513	-	513
Total income		<u>283,409</u>	<u>43,708</u>	<u>327,117</u>	<u>234,985</u>	<u>69,034</u>	<u>304,019</u>
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities		278,810	58,475	337,285	243,518	60,780	304,298
Net movement in funds		4,599	(14,767)	(10,168)	(8,533)	8,254	(279)
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		<u>94,559</u>	<u>26,041</u>	<u>120,600</u>	<u>103,092</u>	<u>17,787</u>	<u>120,879</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		<u><u>99,158</u></u>	<u><u>11,274</u></u>	<u><u>110,432</u></u>	<u><u>94,559</u></u>	<u><u>26,041</u></u>	<u><u>120,600</u></u>

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The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		4,948		2,655
Current assets					
Debtors	9	34,760		26,188	
Cash at bank and in hand		105,057		142,486	
		<u>139,817</u>		<u>168,674</u>	
Current liabilities					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	34,333		50,729	
Net current assets			105,484		117,945
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>110,432</u>		<u>120,600</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds	12		11,274		26,041
Unrestricted funds			99,158		94,559
			<u>110,432</u>		<u>120,600</u>

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14 November 2024



M Wells
Chairman

Company Registration No. 03482562

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Arden Court, Arden Street, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 6NT.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'. The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Office Equipment	33% on cost
Wheelchairs	33% on cost

1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

2	Other trading activities	2024	2023
		£	£
	Meeting room hire	60	-
	Transport fees	64,296	48,558
	Group income	77,222	55,806
		<hr/>	<hr/>
	Other trading activities	141,578	104,364
		<hr/>	<hr/>
3	Investments	2024	2023
		£	£
	Deposit account interest	1,890	513
		<hr/>	<hr/>
4	Net movement in funds	2024	2023
		£	£
	Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
	Independent examiner's fee	2,460	2,400
	Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	2,902	2,837
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5 Trustee's remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2024 nor for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2024 nor for the year ended 31st March 2023.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

6 Employees

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Direct charitable work	5	4
Administration	4	5
Session staff	6	5
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	15	14
	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
Employment costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	197,913	190,376
Social security costs	7,432	6,826
Other pension costs	8,447	7,624
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	213,792	204,826
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There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Office Equipment	Wheelchairs	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	13,627	8,728	22,355
Additions	3,697	1,500	5,197
Disposals	(5,046)	(8,728)	(13,774)
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At 31 March 2024	12,278	1,500	13,778
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Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2023	10,973	8,728	19,701
Depreciation charged in the year	2,902	-	2,902
Eliminated in respect of disposals	(5,045)	(8,728)	(13,773)
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
At 31 March 2024	8,830	-	8,830
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2024	3,448	1,500	4,948
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At 31 March 2023	2,655	-	2,655
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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

9	Trade and other receivables	2024	2023
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
	Trade receivables	17,158	16,071
	Prepayments and accrued income	17,602	10,117
		<u>34,760</u>	<u>26,188</u>
10	Other creditors falling due within one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Trade payables	7,559	5,062
	Social security and other taxes	2,941	2,428
	Other payables	13,006	22,379
	Accruals and deferred income	10,827	20,860
		<u>34,333</u>	<u>50,729</u>
11	Retirement benefit schemes	2024	2023
	Defined contribution schemes	£	£
	Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	8,447	7,624
		<u>8,447</u>	<u>7,624</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

12 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	Movement in funds			Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Income resources £	Resources expended £		Income resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Volunteer services	17,787	69,034	(60,780)	26,041	43,708	(58,475)	11,274
	<u>17,787</u>	<u>69,034</u>	<u>(60,780)</u>	<u>26,041</u>	<u>43,708</u>	<u>(58,475)</u>	<u>11,274</u>

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

13 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	94,559	283,409	(278,810)	99,158
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	103,092	234,985	(243,518)	94,559
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14 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1067584

Accounts

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

VASA's recovery from the damage inflicted on our services, clients, staff and volunteers by the pandemic and its aftermath continued – albeit slowly at times - in the year under review. This growth was due to the energy, commitment and professionalism of our staff and volunteers, and the strong support of partners and funders.

Volunteers are the heart of VASA, with the majority of our work volunteer led. In all, they donated 20,956 hours of their time to support their local communities – equivalent to £228,421 if paid the real living wage.

Community transport has over 4,000 passengers in Rugby and south Warwickshire, with our volunteer drivers completing 19,080 journeys, including 1185 dialysis trips and 1139 vaccine trips.

Community services recovered strongly. Our Dementia Day Services offered 215 days of respite. Each group takes 8-12 people living with dementia, allowing them to take part while their carers get much-needed five-hour breaks. As well as the day services we were able to support our carers at our cafes – and while attendances at the 81 sessions varied, those present said how much this peer support helped them. We also opened up some of our other services: Baby Brunch ran 26 sessions for parents and carers, and there were 92 community coffee mornings.

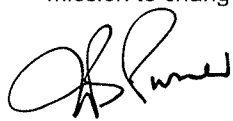
Changes in funding mean that we must generate more income ourselves to keep our services going and given the slower-than expected post-pandemic rebuilding, the whole organisation was delighted with the growth of our services and with income from activities more than doubling.

Our new three-year strategic plan following a strategic review included employing a funding and development manager, David. This appointment proved hugely successful: our income and donations reached nearly £200,000 in the year.

VASA believes strongly in partnership working and continued to work closely with others to meet vital needs, playing an active and increasingly important role in the Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership (SHWP), Warwickshire Community Transport and Stratford Social Inclusion Partnership, as well as developing our partnership with WRCC. We took the Down Memory Lane singing group, Indoor Curling and Seated Exercise sessions run by the SHWP under our wing to allow volunteers to get on with running the groups.

Our partners and funders have continued to show confidence in VASA: Stratford Town Trust, Stratford District Council, Warwickshire County Council and the NHS Integrated Care Board. Thanks also go to Orbit and Stratford Town Football Club for hosting many of our community activities.

The year ahead will continue to be challenging, particularly on the financial front. But the Trustees are confident that our pre-eminent strengths – our staff and our volunteers – will see VASA continue to develop and fulfil our mission to change lives by connecting people.

 - Company Secretary
P.P. I.B. PRASSER

T W J Russel
Chairman

28 November 2023

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

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Strategic report

Treasurer's Report

The year to 31st March 2023 represented a welcome return to normal business for the charity. Income generated from our activities increased to £104,364 from £50,623 in the previous year, a sign that the worst effects of Covid are behind us. Total income increased to £304,020 from £229,711 in the previous year with income from grants contributing £32,938 of that improvement.

As the charity's activities returned to a more normal level inevitably our costs also increased. Total costs of supporting our activities increased to £300,475 from £239,056 in the previous year. Small increases in headcount, office overheads and the direct costs of some of our activities contributed to this increase.

Our overall deficit for the year reduced to £279 from a deficit of £14,930 in the previous year.

The charity continues to be soundly financed. Cash resources increased to £142,486 from £123,302 while total funds stood at £120,600 (£94,559 unrestricted) at 31st March 2023.

The support most generously provided by our funders has enabled us to continue to provide much needed services to our clients through and beyond the pandemic and has resulted in a well financed charity able to continue that service.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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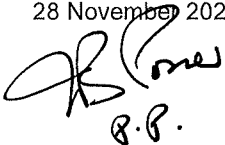
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The Trustees , including the strategic report, was approved by the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 28 November 2023 and signed on the board's behalf by:



T W J Russel
Chairman



D Roache
Treasurer

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

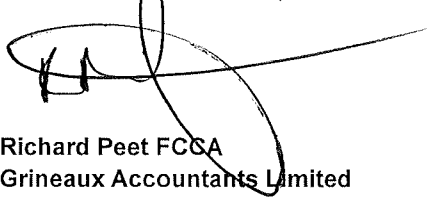
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Richard Peet FCCA
Grineaux Accountants Limited
20 Market Hill
Southam
Warwickshire
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28 November 2023

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	8,050	48,696	56,746	61,918	60,324	122,242
Charitable activities	122,058	20,338	142,396	55,458	-	55,458
Other trading activities 2	104,364	-	104,364	50,623	-	50,623
Investments 3	513	-	513	112	-	112
JRS receipts	-	-	-	1,276	-	1,276
Total income	234,985	69,034	304,019	169,387	60,324	229,711
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	243,518	60,780	304,298	152,168	92,473	244,641
Net movement in funds	(8,533)	8,254	(279)	17,219	(32,149)	(14,930)
Fund balances at 1 April 2022	103,092	17,787	120,879	85,873	49,936	135,809
Fund balances at 31 March 2023	94,559	26,041	120,600	103,092	17,787	120,879

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		2,655		2,694
Current assets					
Debtors	8	26,188		77,245	
Cash at bank and in hand		142,486		123,302	
		<u>168,674</u>		<u>200,547</u>	
Current liabilities					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	50,729		82,362	
Net current assets			117,945		118,185
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>120,600</u>		<u>120,879</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds	10		26,041		17,787
Unrestricted funds			94,559		103,092
			<u>120,600</u>		<u>120,879</u>

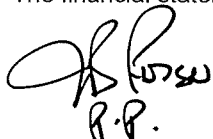
The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 28 November 2023



T W J Russel
Chairman

Company Registration No. 03482562

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Arden Court, Arden Street, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 6NT.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'. The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Computer Equipment	33% on cost
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1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2 Other trading activities	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	-	128
Transport fees	48,558	31,330
Group income	55,806	19,165
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Other trading activities	104,364	50,623
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
3 Investments	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	513	112
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
4 Net movement in funds	2023	2022
	£	£
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Independent examiner's fee	2,460	2,400
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	2,837	1,982
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5 Trustee's remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2023 nor for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2023 nor for the year ended 31st March 2022.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

6 Employees

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Direct charitable work	4	5
Administration	5	4
Session staff	5	4
	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>

Employment costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	190,376	142,920
Social security costs	6,826	4,111
Other pension costs	7,624	6,683
	<u>204,826</u>	<u>153,714</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer Equipment £	Wheelchairs £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2022	10,832	8,728	19,560
Additions	2,796	-	2,796
	<u>13,628</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>22,356</u>
At 31 March 2023			
At 31 March 2023	13,628	8,728	22,356
	<u>13,628</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>22,356</u>
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2022	8,136	8,728	16,864
Depreciation charged in the year	2,837	-	2,837
	<u>10,973</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>19,701</u>
At 31 March 2023			
At 31 March 2023	10,973	8,728	19,701
	<u>10,973</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>19,701</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2023	2,655	-	2,655
	<u>2,655</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,655</u>
At 31 March 2022	2,694	-	2,694
	<u>2,694</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,694</u>

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8	Trade and other receivables		
		2023	2022
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
	Trade receivables	16,071	69,610
	Prepayments and accrued income	10,117	7,635
		<u>26,188</u>	<u>77,245</u>
		<u><u>26,188</u></u>	<u><u>77,245</u></u>
9	Other creditors falling due within one year		
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Trade payables	5,062	24,126
	Social security and other taxes	2,428	2,028
	Other payables	22,379	6,965
	Accruals and deferred income	20,860	49,243
		<u>50,729</u>	<u>82,362</u>
		<u><u>50,729</u></u>	<u><u>82,362</u></u>

10 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Income resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Volunteer services	49,936	60,324	(92,473)	17,787	69,034	(60,780)	26,041
	<u>49,936</u>	<u>60,324</u>	<u>(92,473)</u>	<u>17,787</u>	<u>69,034</u>	<u>(60,780)</u>	<u>26,041</u>

11 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities made up as follows:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Net movement in funds	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Net movement in funds	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Voluntary action	40,953	17,219	(7,686)	50,486	(8,533)	(8,829)	33,124
Sinking fund	44,920	-	7,686	52,606	-	8,829	61,435
	<u>85,873</u>	<u>17,219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,092</u>	<u>(8,533)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>94,559</u>
	<u><u>85,873</u></u>	<u><u>17,219</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>103,092</u></u>	<u><u>(8,533)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>94,559</u></u>

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023	2022
£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Councillors' grants	11,168	11,750
Town councils	500	-
Wheelchair donation	1,465	1,199
JRS receipts	-	1,276
Other donations	43,614	109,293
	<u>56,747</u>	<u>123,518</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	-	128
Transport fees	48,558	31,330
Group Income	55,806	19,165
	<u>104,364</u>	<u>50,623</u>
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	513	112
Charitable activities		
Warwickshire County Council	23,873	23,873
Stratford District Council	9,500	9,500
Stratford upon Avon Town Trust	12,500	22,085
NHS Integrated Care Board	96,523	-
	<u>142,396</u>	<u>55,458</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>304,020</u>	<u>229,711</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Staff salaries	190,376	142,920
Social security	6,826	4,111
Pensions	7,624	6,683
Service charge	14,205	7,604
Rent, rates and water	20,189	20,352
Insurance	3,028	2,855
Telephone	5,851	5,263
Postage and stationery	2,230	3,066
Publicity and photos	4,197	1,747

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Sundries	1,926		2,635	
Volunteer expenses	165		512	
Travel and subsistence	257		65	
Transport expenses	8,002		6,101	
Computer support maintenance	11,519		9,735	
Subscriptions and memberships	700		672	
Repairs and renewals	937		1,089	
Accountancy	2,886		2,808	
Community projects expenses	16,392		8,809	
Consultancy fees and bid writing	-		7,250	
Recruitment expenses	-		864	
Office relocation costs	-		1,872	
Wheelchair maintenance	161		42	
Cleaning	167		19	
Equipment depreciation	2,837		1,982	
	<u> </u>	300,475	<u> </u>	239,056
Support costs				
Finance				
Bank charges and interest		741		518
Governance costs				
Legal fees	3,083		5,067	
	<u> </u>	3,083	<u> </u>	5,067
Total resources expended		304,299		244,641
Net deficit		<u><u>(279)</u></u>		<u><u>(14,930)</u></u>

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1067584

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1067584

Company Registration No. 03482562 (England and Wales)

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	T W J Russel (Chairman) D Roache (Treasurer) B A Craig I Prosser K Aukstolis C W Goody M Wells
Secretary	B A Craig
Charity number	1067584
Company number	03482562
Principal address	DSA House 17 The Courtyard Timothy's Bridge Road Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 9NP
Registered office	DSA House 17 The Courtyard Timothy's Bridge Road Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 9NP
Independent examiner	Grineaux Accountants Limited 20 Market Hill Southam Warwickshire CV47 0HF

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The year under review was one of slow recovery from the worst ravages which the COVID-19 pandemic inflicted on our services, staff and volunteers. The gradual reopening of society and relaxation of COVID rules were welcome, but it was still a difficult road back towards something approaching business as normal and we experienced continuing challenges from Coronavirus to resuming our activities after the total shutdown the previous year. Even so, our volunteer drivers completed 11,558 trips and donated over 16,500 volunteer hours (at a value of £163,350 if paid the living wage). Our community teams provided 113 care respite days, and 8 community groups restarted, including carers cafés, social groups and our two allotments. We also loaned out 54 wheelchairs.

VASA believes strongly in partnership working, and continued to work closely with others to meet vital needs, while playing an active and increasingly important role in the Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership and Warwickshire Community Transport. We also created a new partnership with WRCC. As a first step, we agreed that a Trustee from each organisation would attend each other's Board meetings. We intend to extend that partnership into other areas.

Thanks to funding from Stratford Town Trust, the charity completed a top-to-bottom strategic review involving not only a rigorous self-examination but also searching scrutiny by our volunteers, partners and external stakeholders. These led to a comprehensive three-year Strategic Plan supported by a Funding Plan and a Communications Plan.

We agreed a new mission, set of values and aims which reflect the considerable change of focus on VASA's activities and the needs of the communities we serve since the charity was first established more than 40 years ago.

VASA's mission is to:

"enable vulnerable and older people to make friends and live independently through accessible community activities and transport services in Warwickshire and its borders."

We are also committed to being an organisation with six core values, viz.

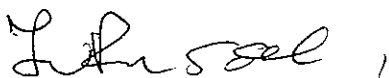
- **COMPASSIONATE** - We are caring and compassionate, and strive to understand people's needs and situations, so that we can offer them the best support.
- **COMMUNITY FOCUSED** - We are a community focused organisation, building community resilience by enabling and supporting volunteer-led activities.
- **INCLUSIVE** - Our activities are open to all, and we will strive to remove any barriers which might prevent a person from accessing our services or working with us.
- **COLLABORATIVE** - We value opportunities to work in partnership with others, particularly those who share our values, can offer complementary skills and experience, and can help to enhance the services we deliver bringing about better outcomes for our clients.
- **EMPOWERING** - We focus on empowerment, helping people to recognise and make best use of their own strengths and talents.
- **CAN-DO ATTITUDE** - We are a flexible and solutions focussed organisation, working with others to help to make good things happen in communities.

The Trustees agreed that despite our financial pressures, we would invest in extra resources to deliver the Strategic, Financial and Communications plans. As a result, we recruited new staff to key roles.

The past year has again tested our staff and volunteers - and again they demonstrated resourcefulness and resolution to pass the test with flying colours. Our main funders also supported us.

Many more challenges lie ahead - some new. The Trustees believe that the organisation with its clear vision, focused objectives and strengthened core team is well equipped to address those challenges successfully.

T W J Russel
Chairman



1 November 2022

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The Charity's objectives are:

- The provision, sponsorship and assistance of activities of a public social care and support nature either directly or in partnership based from, but not restricted to, the geographical area of Stratford on Avon District and its environs.
- To promote, organise and facilitate co-operation and partnership working between third sector, statutory and other relevant bodies in the achievement of the above purposes within the area of benefit.

Strategic report

Treasurer's Report

The year under review represented a partial return to normal business after the disruption of the Covid pandemic. That return to more normal activities has been slower than the Trustees had hoped for, however progress has been made and is continuing. This progress is most marked in our funds generated from activities which increased from £11,455 in the year ended 31st March 2021 to £50,623 in the year under review. Whilst not at the pre-pandemic level it is encouraging that this revenue stream is continuing to accelerate. Income from grants and donations and other sources were £123,518, a reduction from the prior year in which we received £153,362 including £18,955 of receipts under the Job Retention Scheme (furlough payments) which ceased shortly into the year under review. Grants and support received from local authorities were £55,458, down from the prior year in which we received £65,457. The net impact of these changes was a small reduction resulting in Total Incoming Resources falling from £230,593 to £229,711 in the year under review.

Our costs incurred in providing our charitable services in the year were £239,056, an increase from the prior year of £43,607. The major contributor to this increase was an increase in staff headcount which Trustees approved in order to increase our service offering, especially in the area of Community Services. We received grants specifically to part fund the increase in these resources and to carry out a strategic review of the Charity's activities over the next 5 years.

Our total cash resources reduced in the year from £152,639 to £123,302 at 31st March 2022. We reported, in last year's Annual Report, that we had been very fortunate to receive generous Covid support grants which had resulted in the relatively high cash resources at the end of that year. This cash resource has enabled the Charity to continue to operate through the difficult post-pandemic period when activity has remained stubbornly low. The reduction in the cash balance reflects the utilisation of those Covid support grants that were made available to us.

The Charity continues to be adequately funded and has prevailed through the extreme difficulties of the pandemic.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

The results for the year and the financial position of the company are shown in the annexed financial statements.

The Charity's activities have been financed by grants and donations while the retained reserves have been depleted by the deficit of £14,930 (previous year surplus of £30,896).

Total income in the year was £229,711 (£230,593) and total expenditure was £244,641 (£199,697).

Structure, governance and management

In accordance with Section 60(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2016, the company is exempt from the requirements of that Act to include 'limited' as part of its name. As the company is limited by guarantee, no trustee has any interest in the share capital of the company.

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission. The charity registration number is 1067584.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Trustees

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting to ensure that the Board represents a cross section of the community and individuals with relevant professional backgrounds.

Trustees are recruited as individual members. An assessment of individual member skills is undertaken annually to determine any gaps in skills which would assist the Board to function more effectively.

New Board members are provided with a Trustee Induction pack which includes the role description, responsibilities of a trustee, a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and copies of the most recent annual report and accounts.

New Trustees have an induction session with the Chairman and the charity manager.

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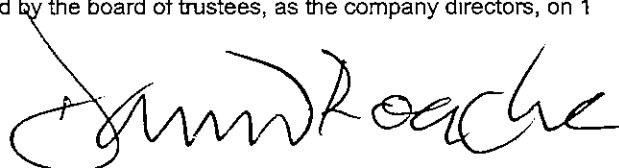
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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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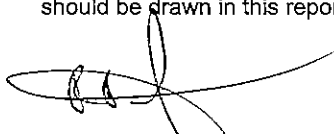
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Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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1 November 2022

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	61,918	60,324	122,242	68,289	66,118	134,407
Charitable activities	55,458	-	55,458	65,457	-	65,457
Other trading activities 2	50,623	-	50,623	11,455	-	11,455
Investments 3	112	-	112	319	-	319
JRS receipts	1,276	-	1,276	18,955	-	18,955
Total income	169,387	60,324	229,711	164,475	66,118	230,593
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	152,168	92,473	244,641	150,644	49,053	199,697
Net movement in funds	17,219	(32,149)	(14,930)	13,831	17,065	30,896
Fund balances at 1 April 2021	85,873	49,936	135,809	72,042	32,871	104,913
Fund balances at 31 March 2022	103,092	17,787	120,879	85,873	49,936	135,809

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	7		2,694		2,476
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables	8	77,245		19,638	
Cash at bank and in hand		123,302		152,639	
		<u>200,547</u>		<u>172,277</u>	
Current liabilities					
Other payables	9	81,862		33,944	
Deferred income	10	500		5,000	
		<u>82,362</u>		<u>38,944</u>	
Net current assets			118,185		133,333
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>120,879</u>		<u>135,809</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds	11		17,787		49,936
Unrestricted funds			103,092		85,873
			<u>120,879</u>		<u>135,809</u>

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 1 November 2022

T W J Russel
Chairman



Company Registration No. 03482562

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity Information

Voluntary Action Stratford On Avon District is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is DSA House, 17 The Courtyard, Timothy's Bridge Road, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 9NP.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'. The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Computer Equipment	33% on cost
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1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2 Other trading activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fundraising events	128	1,088
Transport fees	31,330	10,367
Group income	19,165	-
Other trading activities	<u>50,623</u>	<u>11,455</u>

3 Investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>112</u>	<u>319</u>

4 Net movement in funds

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Independent examiner's fee	2,460	2,400
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	<u>1,982</u>	<u>1,258</u>

5 Trustee's remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2022 nor for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2022 nor for the year ended 31st March 2021.

6 Employees

	2022	2021
	Number	Number
Direct charitable work	5	5
Administration	4	1
Session staff	4	4
Total	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>
Employment costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	142,920	116,863
Social security costs	4,111	3,192
Other pension costs	<u>6,683</u>	<u>5,453</u>

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

6 Employees (Continued)

	153,714	125,508
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There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer Equipment £	Wheelchairs £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021	8,630	8,728	17,358
Additions	2,201	-	2,201
At 31 March 2022	10,831	8,728	19,559
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2021	6,155	8,728	14,883
Depreciation charged in the year	1,982	-	1,982
At 31 March 2022	8,137	8,728	16,865
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2022	2,694	-	2,694
At 31 March 2021	2,476	-	2,476

8 Trade and other receivables

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade receivables	69,610	1,736
Other receivables	-	11,257
Prepayments and accrued income	7,635	6,645
	77,245	19,638

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

9 Other creditors falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade payables	24,126	4,788
Social security and other taxes	2,028	1,504
Other payables	6,965	21,420
Accruals and deferred income	48,743	6,232
	<u>81,862</u>	<u>33,944</u>

10 Deferred income

	2022	2021
	£	£
CCG funding	42,523	
Shipston Town Council	500	-
WPH Charitable Trust	-	5,000
	<u>43,023</u>	<u>5,000</u>

11 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			Balance at 31 March 2022
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Income resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2021	Income resources	Resources expended	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Volunteer services	32,871	66,118	(49,053)	49,936	60,324	(92,473)	17,787
	<u>32,871</u>	<u>66,118</u>	<u>(49,053)</u>	<u>49,936</u>	<u>60,324</u>	<u>(92,473)</u>	<u>17,787</u>

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

12 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities made up as follows:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			Balance at 31 March 2022
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Net movement In funds	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2021	Net movement In funds	Transfers	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Voluntary action	35,904	13,831	(8,782)	40,953	17,219	(7,686)	50,486
Sinking fund	36,138	-	8,782	44,920	-	7,686	52,606
	<u>72,042</u>	<u>13,831</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,873</u>	<u>17,219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,092</u>

13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Donations and legacies				
Councillors' grants	11,750		1,000	
Shipston town council	-		500	
Wheelchair donation	1,199		585	
JRS receipts	1,276		18,955	
Other donations	109,293		132,322	
		123,518		153,362
Other trading activities				
Fundraising events	128		1,088	
Transport fees	31,330		10,367	
Group Income	19,165		-	
		50,623		11,455
Investment income				
Deposit account interest		112		319
Charitable activities				
Warwickshire County Council	23,873		23,873	
Stratford District Council	9,500		9,500	
Stratford upon Avon Town Trust	22,085		32,084	
		55,458		65,457
Total Incoming resources		229,711		230,593
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable activities				
Staff salaries	142,920		116,863	
Social security	4,111		3,192	
Pensions	6,683		5,453	
Service charge	7,604		4,125	
Rent, rates and water	20,352		17,706	
Insurance	2,855		2,510	
Telephone	5,263		4,784	
Postage and stationery	3,066		1,363	
Publicity and photos	1,747		1,260	

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Sundries	2,635		599	
Volunteer expenses	512		37	
Travel and subsistence	65		134	
Transport expenses	6,101		8,288	
Computer support maintenance	9,735		10,975	
Subscriptions & memberships	672		651	
Repairs and renewals	1,089		343	
Accountancy	2,808		2,760	
Community projects expenses	8,809		2,963	
Consultancy fees & bid writing	7,250		4,994	
Recruitment expenses	864		-	
Office relocation costs	1,872		3,180	
Wheelchair maintenance	42		1,584	
Cleaning	19		427	
Equipment depreciation	1,982		1,258	
		239,056		195,449
Support costs				
Finance				
Bank charges and interest		518		303
Governance costs				
Legal fees	5,067		3,945	
		5,067		3,945
Total resources expended		244,641		199,697
Net income		<u>(14,930)</u>		<u>30,896</u>

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD ON AVON DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1067584

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1067584

Company Registration No. 03482562 (England and Wales)

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	T W J Russel (Chairman) D Roache (Treasurer) B A Craig I Prosser K Aukstolis C W Goody M Wells
Secretary	B A Craig
Charity number	1067584
Company number	03482562
Principal address	Unit 17 The Courtyard Timothy's Bridge Road Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 9NP CV37 9NP
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VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

VASA was tested as never before by the Covid-19 pandemic and had to draw deeply on its reserves of resilience to meet the challenge. Lockdowns, social distancing and other restrictions imposed by the government throughout the year inflicted severe blows to every area of our operations. For the first time in our 43-year history, we were forced to shut down our volunteer driver scheme, as well as our community groups and day services.

The impact on our finances was brutal as our Treasurer reports in his Financial Review.

But not only were the Trustees and staff concerned about our financial sustainability: they were also worried about the effects on our clients - our primary concern.

We launched a telephone befriending service to support those, especially the most vulnerable and isolated, displaced by the closure of our services.

We also responded to the crisis by working in partnership with other organisations to tackle key needs, viz

- with Stratford Foodbank delivering food parcels during school holidays and lockdowns to families eligible for free school meals and taking part in the Fresh Food Project, supporting 84 families to get 26 weekly fresh food supplies.
- with WRCC to get patients to medical appointments during the first weeks of the initial lockdown.
- with Warwickshire Public Health, local authorities, surgeries and pharmacies to deliver prescriptions, food parcels, PPE and comfort packs to the homeless.
- with Warwickshire Public Health, Volunteer Friends and Beeline to provide free transport for everyone in the priority vaccine groups to receive both their initial and second jabs.

Partnership working is in our organisation's DNA, and we have continued to play a full and active role in Warwickshire Community Transport, a group of community transport providers, the Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership and the Stratford Inclusion Partnership.

Our small staff, office volunteers and drivers responded magnificently to the situation, displaying their deep commitment to VASA and to our clients, always our first consideration.

Their efforts underlined the value of VASA to the community – recognised also by our main funders who sustained us at a time when our survival was far from guaranteed.

T W J Russel
Chairman



12 November 2021

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The Charity's objectives are:

- The provision, sponsorship and assistance of activities of a public social care and support nature either directly or in partnership based from, but not restricted to, the geographical area of Stratford on Avon District and its environs.
- To promote, organise and facilitate co-operation and partnership working between third sector, statutory and other relevant bodies in the achievement of the above purposes within the area of benefit.

Strategic report

Treasurer's Report

The year under review was quite extraordinary. Almost all charitable community activities ceased as the country entered Covid lock-down in late March, 2020 as can be seen by the steep decline in funds generated from activities, falling from £86,075 in the year to 31st March 2020 to £11,455 in the year under review. Community activities had only returned to near pre-pandemic levels by early autumn 2021. The Trustees are enormously grateful for the support received from local authorities during the lock-down. Support grants of £66,288 were received. In addition, "furlough" payments (or JRS payments) of £18,955 were received to support our employees. Without these payments the charity would not have survived.

Our costs incurred in providing our charitable services in the year were £195,449 including the cost of relocating to more suitable offices. This represented a small increase over the previous year (£189,050).

Our total cash resources at 31st March, 2021 were £152,639 (£94,738) of which £70,468 were unrestricted. This increase in cash reserves was due largely to the generous Covid support grants referred to above. These funds have continued to support the charity through the continued lock-down and have helped to fund our costs until we return to more normal levels of activity.

The charity continues to be robustly funded and has proved resilient in the face of the extraordinary circumstances presented in the last 18 months.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

The results for the year and the financial position of the company are shown in the annexed financial statements.

The charity's activities have been financed by grants and donations and the retained operating surplus transferred to reserves was £30,896 (previous year £54,109).

Total income received in the year was £230,593 (£246,932) and total expenditure was £199,697 (£192,823).

Structure, governance and management

In accordance with Section 60(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2016, the company is exempt from the requirements of that Act to include 'limited' as part of its name. As the company is limited by guarantee, no trustee has any interest in the share capital of the company.

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission. The charity registration number is 1067584.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Trustees

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting to ensure that the Board represents a cross section of the community and individuals with relevant professional backgrounds.

Trustees are recruited as individual members. An assessment of individual member skills is undertaken annually to determine any gaps in skills which would assist the Board to function more effectively.

New Board members are provided with a Trustee Induction pack which includes the role description, responsibilities of a trustee, a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and copies of the most recent annual report and accounts.

New Trustees have an induction session with the Chairman and the charity manager.

Trustees are asked to consider any potential conflict of interest and these are recorded.

The trustees are responsible for financial controls and accounts; for overseeing the reserves policy; for ensuring that all procedures and policies adhere to their legal requirements as employers; for reviewing risk management of the organisation; to ensure all aspects of charity and company law are fully and properly adhered to and to protect the charity's property. The trustees have complied with their duty in Section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

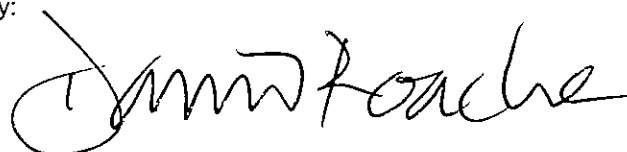
The trustees are responsible for agreeing the annual report and accounts as well as reviewing the activity during the year. The Charity Manager and the Finance Manager have delegated authority, under terms approved by the Board, for all day to day activity including financial, employment and staff supervision. The charity manager has to present a report at each meeting of the Board.

The Trustees , including the strategic report, was approved by the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 12 November 2021 and signed on the board's behalf by:

T W J Russel
Chairman



D Roache
Treasurer



VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Voluntary Action Stratford-on-Avon District for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

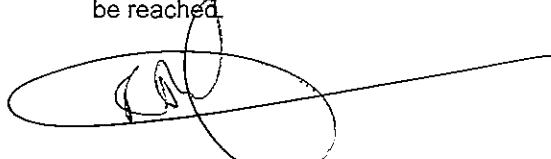
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12 November 2021

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	134,407	66,118	200,525	58,744	-	58,744
Charitable activities	48,392	-	48,392	59,740	14,972	74,712
Other trading activities 2	11,455	-	11,455	86,075	-	86,075
Investments 3	319	-	319	320	-	320
JRS receipts	18,955	-	18,955	-	-	-
Total income	213,528	66,118	279,646	204,879	14,972	219,851
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	199,697	49,053	248,750	165,742	-	165,742
Net movement in funds	13,831	17,065	30,896	39,137	14,972	54,109
Fund balances at 1 April 2020	72,042	32,871	104,913	32,905	17,899	50,804
Fund balances at 31 March 2021	85,873	49,936	135,809	72,042	32,871	104,913

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	7		2,476		461
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables	8	19,638		24,842	
Cash at bank and in hand		152,639		94,738	
		<u>172,277</u>		<u>119,580</u>	
Current liabilities					
Other payables	9	33,944		15,128	
Deferred income	10	5,000		-	
		<u>38,944</u>		<u>15,128</u>	
Net current assets			133,333		104,452
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>135,809</u>		<u>104,913</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds	11		49,936		32,871
Unrestricted funds			85,873		72,042
			<u>135,809</u>		<u>104,913</u>

The charitable company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 12 November 2021

T W J Russel
Chairman



Company Registration No. 03482562

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Voluntary Action Stratford-on-Avon District is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Unit 17, The Courtyard, Timothy's Bridge Road, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 9NP, CV37 9NP.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'. The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Computer Equipment	33% on cost
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1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2 Other trading activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Fundraising events	1,088	5
Meeting room hire	-	60
Transport admin fees and drivers expenses	10,367	49,680
Group income	-	36,330
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Other trading activities	<u>11,455</u>	<u>86,075</u>

3 Investments

	2021 £	2020 £
Deposit account interest	<u>319</u>	<u>320</u>

4 Net movement in funds

	2021 £	2020 £
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Independent examiner's fee	2,400	1,200
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	<u>1,258</u>	<u>833</u>

5 Trustee's remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2021 nor for the year ended 31st March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2021 nor for the year ended 31st March 2020.

6 Employees

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Direct charitable work	5	6
Administration	1	1
Session staff	4	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>

Employment costs

2021 £	2020 £
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6 Employees	(Continued)	
Wages and salaries	116,863	87,772
Social security costs	3,192	3,399
Other pension costs	5,453	5,581
	<u>125,508</u>	<u>96,752</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

7 Tangible fixed assets	Computer Equipment £	Wheelchairs £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	5,357	8,728	14,085
Additions	3,273	-	3,273
	<u>8,630</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>17,358</u>
At 31 March 2021			
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2020	4,896	8,728	13,624
Depreciation charged in the year	1,258	-	1,258
	<u>6,154</u>	<u>8,728</u>	<u>14,882</u>
At 31 March 2021			
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2021	<u>2,476</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,476</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>461</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>461</u>

8 Trade and other receivables	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade receivables	1,736	18,805
Other receivables	11,257	-
Prepayments and accrued income	6,645	6,037
	<u>19,638</u>	<u>24,842</u>

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9 Other creditors falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade payables	4,788	5,168
Social security and other taxes	1,504	1,563
Other payables	21,420	893
Accruals and deferred income	6,232	7,504
	<u>33,944</u>	<u>15,128</u>

10 Deferred income

	2021 £	2020 £
WPH Charitable Trust	5,000	-
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>

11 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Income resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Volunteer services	32,871	66,118	(49,053)	49,936
	<u>32,871</u>	<u>66,118</u>	<u>(49,053)</u>	<u>49,936</u>

12 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities made up as follows:

	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Net movement in funds £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Voluntary action	35,904	164,475	(150,644)	(8,782)	40,953
Sinking fund	36,138	-	-	8,782	44,920
	<u>72,042</u>	<u>164,475</u>	<u>(150,644)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,873</u>

13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).

VOLUNTARY ACTION STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT**DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Donations and legacies				
Councillors' grants	1,000		11,500	
Shipston town council	500		400	
Parish councils	-		950	
Wheelchair donation	585		1,495	
JRS receipts	18,955		-	
Other donations	132,322		44,399	
		153,362		58,744
Other trading activities				
Fundraising events	1,088		5	
Meeting room hire	-		60	
Transport fees	10,367		49,680	
Group Income	-		36,330	
		11,455		86,075
Investment income				
Deposit account interest		319		320
Charitable activities				
Warwickshire County Council	23,873		28,673	
Stratford District Council	9,500		38,120	
Stratford upon Avon Town Trust	32,084		35,000	
		65,457		101,793
Total incoming resources		230,593		246,932
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable activities				
Staff salaries	116,863		114,853	
Social security	3,192		3,399	
Pensions	5,453		5,581	
Service charge	4,125		-	
Rent, rates and water	17,706		23,956	
Insurance	2,510		2,167	
Telephone	4,784		4,537	

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Postage and stationery	1,363		1,521	
Publicity and photos	1,260		5,341	
Sundries	599		494	
Volunteer expenses	37		272	
Travel and subsistence	134		153	
Transport expenses	8,288		6,138	
Computer support maintenance	10,975		3,637	
Subscriptions & memberships	651		625	
Repairs and renewals	343		456	
Donations	-		25	
Accountancy	2,760		2,940	
Community projects expenses	2,963		9,919	
Consultancy fees & bid writing	4,994		2,203	
Office relocation costs	3,180		-	
Wheelchair maintenance	1,584		-	
Cleaning	427		-	
Equipment depreciation	1,258		833	
		<u>195,449</u>	<u>189,050</u>	
Support costs				
Finance				
Bank charges and interest		303		66
Governance costs				
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work			1,200	
Legal fees	3,945		2,507	
		<u>3,945</u>	<u>3,707</u>	
Total resources expended		199,697		192,823
Net income		<u><u>30,896</u></u>		<u><u>54,109</u></u>

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